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**BY ECF**

The Honorable Paul A. Engelmayer  
United States District Judge  
Thurgood Marshall United States Courthouse  
40 Foley Square  
New York, New York 10007

Re: *Open Society Justice Initiative v. Office of the Director of National  
Intelligence*, No. 20 Civ. 6625 (PAE)

Dear Judge Engelmayer:

We write respectfully on behalf of defendant the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (“ODNI” or the “government”) to request a stay of the briefing schedule in this case. Under the current schedule, ODNI is due to file by February 3, 2021 its reply brief in support of its motion for summary judgment and opposition to plaintiff’s motion for summary judgment. Plaintiff’s reply brief is due on February 24, 2021.

As a result of the presidential transition on January 20, 2021, additional time is needed to allow the new administration to evaluate issues that may affect the government’s position in this matter. We respectfully propose that the government provide a further update to the Court on February 17, 2021. We thank the Court for its consideration of this request.

Plaintiff consents to this request and intends to submit a letter to the Court today, setting forth its position with respect to the new administration’s obligations in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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Granted. SO ORDERED.



PAUL A. ENGELMAYER  
United States District Judge  
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